



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Masayuki MUKAINO *et al.*  
Serial Number : 10/714,905  
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Group Art Unit : 3611

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 5, 2004

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the attached sheets.